

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicants	:	J. Rodney Walton, et al.
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.